

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 03 Aug 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 04 Aug 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 02 Aug 2024 at 14:11 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High confidence for the main themes this weekend. Some uncertainty on extent of showers Saturday afternoon and the timing of heavier rain arriving on Sunday afternoon.

**Headline for Saturday 03 Aug 2024:** Mainly dry morning with sunshine. More cloud and showers in the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 03 Aug 2024

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>Blizzards</b><br>No Likelihood     | <b>Heavy persistent snow</b><br>No Likelihood | <b>Storm force winds</b><br>No Likelihood   |
| <b>Gales</b><br>No Likelihood         | <b>Severe chill effect</b><br>No Likelihood   | <b>Poor visibility</b><br>No Likelihood     |
| <b>Thunderstorms</b><br>No Likelihood | <b>Heavy persistent rain</b><br>No Likelihood | <b>Strong sunlight</b><br>Medium Likelihood |

| Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m                                         |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
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| Time                                                                                |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 00:00                                                                               | 03:00                                                                               | 06:00                                                                               | 09:00                                                                               | 12:00                                                                               | 15:00                                                                                 | 18:00                                                                                 | 21:00                                                                                 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Partly cloudy (night)                                                               | Clear night                                                                         | Sunny                                                                               | Sunny intervals                                                                     | Sunny intervals                                                                     | Heavy rain showers                                                                    | Heavy rain showers                                                                    | Light rain showers                                                                    |
| Precipitation probability                                                           |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 10%                                                                                 | 00%                                                                                 | 00%                                                                                 | <05%                                                                                | 20%                                                                                 | 50%                                                                                   | 50%                                                                                   | 20%                                                                                   |

Forecast for Saturday 03 Aug 2024

**Weather:** A largely clear start to the day with plenty of sunshine initially. Cloud will tend to bubble up through the morning with scattered showers in the afternoon, some heavy but these moving through quickly in brisk winds. Showers will tend to clear away in the evening.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 90%

**Low cloud and visibility:** A few patches of summit cloud possible to start the day, otherwise largely clear. Cloud increasing during the morning but bases generally above summit level. Excellent visibility, but falling briefly in showers.

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| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) |          |          |          |          | Wind Direction (blowing from) |          |          |          |
|------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
|            | 00:00                       | 03:00    | 06:00    | 09:00    | 12:00    | 15:00                         | 18:00    | 21:00    | 00:00    |
| 1300       | 16/21 W                     | 17/23 W  | 18/25 SW | 15/21 SW | 17/24 SW | 19/27 SW                      | 20/28 SW | 17/24 SW | 18/26 SW |
| 900        | 15/19 SW                    | 15/19 SW | 16/21 SW | 15/21 SW | 16/22 SW | 18/25 SW                      | 18/25 SW | 16/21 SW | 17/23 SW |
| 600        | 10/16 SW                    | 10/14 SW | 11/15 SW | 12/18 SW | 13/20 SW | 14/20 W                       | 14/20 SW | 10/16 SW | 11/18 SW |
| 300        | 5/14 SW                     | 4/10 S   | 4/12 SW  | 8/17 SW  | 10/19 SW | 8/18 SW                       | 8/18 SW  | 5/12 SW  | 5/14 SW  |
| Glen       | 2/13 SW                     | 3/11 SW  | 3/12 SW  | 5/15 SW  | 6/16 SW  | 5/17 SW                       | 5/15 SW  | 3/13 SW  | 2/13 SW  |

| Height (m)      | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                 | 00:00                         | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| 1300            | 3/-2                          | 2/-3  | 3/-3  | 4/-0  | 6/2   | 6/2   | 5/0   | 4/-1  | 3/-2  |
| 900             | 6/2                           | 5/2   | 6/1   | 7/3   | 9/5   | 9/6   | 8/4   | 7/3   | 6/2   |
| 600             | 9/6                           | 8/6   | 8/6   | 10/7  | 12/9  | 12/9  | 11/8  | 9/7   | 9/6   |
| 300             | 10/9                          | 8/7   | 9/8   | 13/12 | 15/13 | 15/13 | 13/12 | 11/10 | 10/9  |
| Glen            | 10/9                          | 9/7   | 10/9  | 15/13 | 16/15 | 16/14 | 15/13 | 12/11 | 10/9  |
| Freezing Level* | 1700m                         | 1600m | 1500m | 1700m | 1900m | 2000m | 2000m | 1900m | 1900m |

\*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist’s View

Feeling rather chilly for August and compared to recent days, especially on exposed upper slopes.

Forecast for Sunday 04 Aug 2024

**Weather:** A dry and bright start with some sunny spells through the morning. Cloud will tend to thicken in the afternoon with outbreaks of rain spreading across from the west by the evening.

**Maximum wind:** Gradually increasing through the day to 40-50mph gusts by evening.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 40%, best chance across northern ranges.

**Low cloud and visibility:** Variable cloud bases during the daytime, occasionally lowering to 800-1000m. Low cloud bases down to 700m in the evening gradually becoming extensive, especially south and west of the A9.

**Temperature:**   **Glens:** Plus 10 Celsius rising 17 Celsius.  
                         **At 800m:** Plus 4 Celsius rising 8 Celsius.  
                         **Freezing level:** Above summits.